

CLEAN VERSION OF CURRENT STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

The claims are provided here to indicate the current status of the claims pending in the application, including cancellation of claims 1-14 as requested in the response to the restriction requirement filed April 4, 2005.

Claim 1-14 (Canceled)

Claim 15. (Original) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

structure forming at least one body receiver in the body and extending longitudinally in a direction other than a generally vertical direction;

at least one accessory selectively received in the at least one receiver.

Claim 16. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein the accessory comprises one or more of: a ladder rack, an electrician's reel, a barbeque accessory, a tool supporting table, a winch, a hunting accessory, a fishing accessory, a bike rack, a ski rack, a ramp, a width extension, and a length extension.

Claim 17. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein:

the structure forming at least one body receiver comprises a socket formed by an opening disposed in the body;

the accessory includes an insert connected to the accessory and selectively located in the socket in a deployed state supporting the accessory on the body.

Claim 18. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 17, wherein:

the structure provides the socket as a lengthwise horizontal socket; and  
the insert comprises a shaft having a longitudinal axis disposed horizontally when the insert is in the deployed state.

Claim 19. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 18, wherein:

the body receiver is a first body receiver;  
the motor vehicle further comprising a plurality of body receivers including said first body receiver.

Claim 20. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 19, wherein:

the plurality of body receivers comprises at least one lengthwise vertical socket; and  
the insert is selectively received in the lengthwise vertical socket with the longitudinal axis of the insert disposed vertically when the insert is in the deployed state.

Claim 21. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 20, wherein the plurality of body receivers comprises a plurality of lengthwise horizontal sockets.

Claim 22. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein:

the accessory comprises a combination width extension and side wall for a bed of a truck; and  
the accessory is configured to be supported horizontally and to increase a width of the bed of the truck in one deployed position and to be supported vertically and to provide the side wall for the bed of the truck in another deployed position.

Claim 23. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 23, wherein the combination width extension and side wall forms a widened flatbed for the truck when supported in the socket.

Claim 24. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein:

the accessory comprises a combination length extension and end wall for a bed of a truck; and

the accessory is configured to be supported horizontally and to extend a length of the bed of the truck in one deployed position and to be supported vertically and to provide the end wall for the bed of the truck in another deployed position.

Claim 25. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 25, wherein the combination length extension and end wall forms a lengthened bed for the truck when supported in the socket.

Claim 26. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 17, wherein the plurality of body receivers is formed integrally with the body of the vehicle.

Claim 27. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 17, wherein the plurality of body receivers is added to the body of the vehicle.

Claim 28. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein the vehicle includes a plurality of accessories including the at least one accessory.

Claim 29. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, wherein:

the structure provides the socket as a lengthwise socket that is oriented at an angle other than horizontal; and

the insert comprises a shaft having a longitudinal axis disposed at an angle other than horizontal when the insert is in the deployed state.

Claim 30. (Original) The motor vehicle of claim 15, further comprising:

a hole in a wall of the socket;

a hole in the insert; and

a pin engaged through the hole in the wall of the socket and through the hole in the insert to hold the insert in the socket against inadvertent separation therefrom.

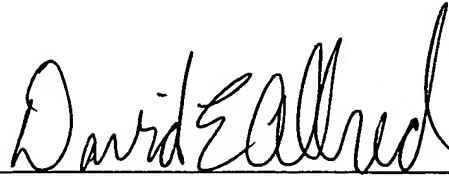
Conclusion

If any fees, including extension of time fees, are due as a result of this response, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0513. This authorization is intended to act as a constructive petition for an extension of time, should an extension of time be needed as a result of this response. The examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if this would in any way advance the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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